



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

OCT 5 2004

In re Application of :  
MACK, SR. et al. :  
Serial Number: 09/833,755 :  
Filed: April 11, 2001 :  
For: TRIBIOLOGICAL MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES :  
AND METHODS FOR MAKING THE SAME :

PETITION UNDER  
M.P.E.P.708.02 IV

This is in response to the petition filed August 5, 2004, requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status under Sections 708.02 IV of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(c) (**no fee required**).

The request for Special Status considered under Section 708.02 IV is granted because criteria under 37 CFR 1.102(c) has been met. It is noted the petition indicates applicant Thomas Mack is seventy-four (74) years of age; this appears to be an inadvertent typographical error. The Birth Certificate presented is for applicant Edward Mack who is seventy-four (74) years of age.

Accordingly the petition is **GRANTED**.

Richard Crispino, Special Programs Examiner  
Technology Center 1700  
Chemical and Materials Engineering

Edwards & Angell, LLP  
PO Box 55874  
Boston, MA 02205